

we study the how, the what, the why the who of society. We try to answer the eternal question. These are the questions that he wrestled with in college and then he wrestled with 5,000 nights or days trying to write the Cycle of the West. Think of it 5,000 days of writing and it is the hardest type of work that there is in the world. Harder work than shoveling coal or sand and I have tried them both. Very hard because you have to discipline yourself and force yourself to sit at that desk until you have something written that you are not ashamed of, and that the world will applaud and that is a man sized undertaking. Try it sometimes. Just try and write something that the world will applaud. I would like to see Nebraska do more of this business of honoring people of the past. Real creative people and exceptional people and I want to congratulate the legislature and our state on another thing. That was the development of the Hall of Fame and the dignified way in which that Hall of Fame is being handled in this state. Here again we are honoring important people who have served Nebraska. I am amazed that we have overlooked one Nebraskan, and I'm only mentioning one because there are many more that should be recognized. The one that I am thinking of was a great Lincoln man. A great scholar, one of the greatest legal scholars of the last 100 years and that is a broad statement too. I'm thinking of Roscoe Pound and as the Governor said a very human man too and a humble man. There are so many people in our state have done so much who need to be recognized that it is going to be hard for us to over do these things. I'm not just thinking of badges and honors and your bust sitting out here in the Capitol building. That is not really the important thing. The important thing is to pay honor to those whom honor is due but more importantly is to set an example for the young. That they can see that here is the background of the men who contributed to the world to our state and to our locality. Well I was told that I was limited to so many minutes and I'm beginning to fear the gavel. I do think that it is quite amazing here that I overlooked the fact that there is my employer sitting over here and I didn't recognize him. How do you do Mr. Councilman, glad to see you. He has given me an assignment that surpasses all assignments and that is to be his research coordinator and I said define it for me, and he said Natural Resources, Industrial Resources, Educational Resources, Recreational Resources and Cultural. Pastor I don't know how he happened to miss religion, unless he had been advised by somebody, and knew that I was not well equipped in this area. It is an honor and a privilege to be here and good luck to you. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you, next for some brief remarks is Senator William Hasebrook, former speaker of the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature and senator from district 18. Senator Hasebrook.

SENATOR HASEBROOK: Mr. President, Governor Exon, Governor Peterson, Congressman Thone, members of the Nelhardt family, distinguished guests, members of the legislature and friends. The legislature in making John Nelhardt our Foet Laureate in the legislature 50 years ago said that he has written a

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